IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA ANDERSON DIVISION

UPSTATE FOREVER and SAVANNAH RIVERKEEPER,

Civil Action No. <u>8:16-CV-04003-HMH</u>

Plaintiffs,

v.

KINDER MORGAN ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. and PLANTATION PIPE LINE COMPANY, INC.

Defendants.

DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT WITH PREJUDICE

Pursuant to Rules 12(b)(1) and 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Local Rule 7.01, Defendants Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P. ("KMEP") and Plantation Pipe Line Company, Inc. ("PPL") (collectively, "Defendants"), by and through the undersigned counsel, hereby move this Court to dismiss the Complaint filed by Plaintiffs Upstate Forever and Savannah Riverkeeper (collectively, "Plaintiffs"), in its entirety. The bases for this motion are set forth in Defendants' supporting brief filed together with this motion.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth in the accompanying brief, Defendants respectfully request that this Court dismiss Plaintiffs' Complaint, in its entirety, for lack of subject matter jurisdiction and for failure to state a claim.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this the 17th day of February, 2017, I electronically filed **DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT** with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of such filing to the following:

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